

Amendments to claims

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2 (currently amended): The adhesive of claim ~~4~~ 19 which has ~~high~~ a heat stress properties and/or ~~high temperature adhesion properties~~ value of above about 150°F.

3 (currently amended): The adhesive of claim ~~4~~ 19 which ~~has good cold temperature tolerance gives partial to full fiber tear at temperatures between about -20°F to about 160°F.~~

4 (currently amended): The adhesive of claim ~~4~~ 19 which further comprises an ethylene n-butyl acrylate copolymer, a tackifier and/or a wax.

5 (original): A hot melt adhesive comprising ethylene-2-ethylhexyl acrylate copolymer and a functionalized polyethylene additive

6 (original): The hot melt adhesive of claim 5 further comprising a tackifier and a wax.

7 (original): The adhesive of claim 5 further comprising an ethylene vinyl acetate copolymer and/or an ethylene n-butyl acrylate copolymer.

8 (original): The adhesive of claim 6 wherein the wax is a polyethylene wax.

9 (original): The adhesive of claim 6 wherein the tackifier is a hydrogenated aliphatic hydrocarbon tackifier.

10 (currently amended): The adhesive of claim 6 comprising from about 5 to about 50 wt % ethylene-2-ethylhexyl acrylate copolymer, from about 5 to about 40 wt % of a wax, from about 5 to about 60 wt % of a tackifier, from about 5 to about 30 wt % of a functionalized polyethylene additive, ~~60 wt % of a tackifier, from about 5 to about 30 wt % of a functionalized polyethylene additive~~, up to about 30 wt % of an ethylene vinyl acetate copolymer, up to about 30 wt % of an ethylene n-butyl acrylate copolymer ~~copolymer~~ and up to about 1 wt % of an antioxidant.

11 (original): The adhesive of claim 10 wherein the wax is a Fischer-Tropsch wax.

12 (original): The adhesive of claim 11 comprising from about 15 to about 35 wt % of a polyethylene wax.

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19 (new): The adhesive of claim 5 which is applied at a temperature of from 300°F to about 200°F.

20 (new): The adhesive of claim 19 which is applied at a temperature of from 300°F to about 250°F.

21 (new): The adhesive of claim 5 comprising an ethylene-2-ethylhexyl acrylate copolymer, a functionalized polyethylene additive, a hydrogenated aliphatic hydrocarbon tackifier, and a polyethylene wax.

22 (new): The adhesive of claim 21 further comprising an ethylene vinyl acetate copolymer and/or an ethylene n-butyl acrylate copolymer.

23 (new): The adhesive of claim 5 which comprises from about 5 to 25 wt % of said ethylene-2-ethylhexyl acrylate copolymer.

24 (new): The adhesive of claim 23 which comprises from about 5 to 15 wt % of said ethylene-2-ethylhexyl acrylate copolymer.

25 (new): The adhesive of claim 24 which further comprises a tackifier, a wax and an ethylene copolymer selected from the group consisting of ethylene vinyl acetate copolymers and ethylene n-butyl acrylate copolymers.